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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

VIA:

Deputy Director of Central Intelligence

FROM:

Don I. Wortman

Deputy Director for Administration

SUBJECT:

Request for Continued Classification of Eleven CIA Documents Involved in the Litigation of an FOIA

Request of Mr. C. K. Liew

- 1. Action Requested: Your signature is requested on the attached statement (Tab A) certifying that continued protection is required for the eleven (11) documents listed in Tab B.
- Reasons Why Extension of Classification is Necessary: Continued protection is essential to protect sources and methods; release of information in these documents could reasonably be expected to do identifiable damage to the national security. The documents involved disclose the names of former contacts, both U.S. and foreign, a relationship with a major U.S. bank, and operational procedures used to acquire clandestine assets. These documents are properly classified according to the criteria set forth in Section 1-3 of Executive Order 12065.
- Background: The eleven (11) documents listed in Tab B are part of a group of documents involved in the FOIA request of Mr. C. K. Liew and was staffed out within the Agency by the Information and Privacy Staff. Subsequently, the case has gone to litigation and the court has imposed a deadline of 30 March 1979 for an in camera review. Your certification that the documents listed in Tab B must remain classified is needed by our legal staff for presentation to the judge in the 30 March review. Copies of these documents are available for your review if needed.
- 4. Recommendation: It is recommended that you sign the certifying statement at Tab A.

Don I. Wortman

Attachments: a/s

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